# **NEWS RELEASE**



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#### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

#### Closures for I-5 HOV Improvement Project (Magnolia Blvd. to SR-134)

San Fernando Valley – The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will close the following lanes, ramps, and connectors of the Golden State Freeway (I-5) and the Ventura Freeway (SR-134) as part of a \$57.8 million improvement project to construct High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV or carpool) lanes in each direction along I-5 between SR-134 and Magnolia Boulevard. Closures are subject to change. Detours will be signed.

### Golden State Freeway (I-5) Closures

Friday July 27 through Friday August 3, 2012

- Northbound I-5 Connector to Eastbound SR-134
  TIME: 11 p.m. to 6 a.m. (Until 9 a.m. on Sunday July 29th)
- Southbound I-5 Connector to Eastbound SR-134
  TIME: 11 p.m. to 6 a.m. (Until 7 a.m. on Saturday July 28th and 9 a.m. on Sunday July 29th)
- Westbound SR-134 Connector to Northbound I-5
  TIME: 11 p.m. to 6 a.m. (Until 7 a.m. on Saturday July 28th)
- Westbound SR-134 Northbound and Southbound San Fernando Road On Ramp TIME: 9 p.m. to 6 a.m. (Until 9 a.m. on Sunday July 29th)
- Northbound I-5 Western Avenue Eastbound and Westbound On Ramp TIME: 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. (Until 12 p.m. Sunday July 29th) 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Northbound I-5 Western Avenue Eastbound and Westbound Off Ramp TIME: 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. (Until 12 p.m. on Sunday July 29th) 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Southbound I-5 Western Avenue Eastbound and Westbound On-Ramps TIME: 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. (Until 10 a.m. on Sunday July 29th) 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.



- Southbound I-5 Western Avenue Westbound and Eastbound Off-Ramps TIME 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. (Until 12 p.m. on Sunday July 29th) 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Northbound I-5 Eastbound and Westbound Olive Avenue/Verdugo Avenue Off Ramp TIME: 9p.m. to 6 a.m. (Until 10 a.m. on Sunday July 29th) 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Southbound I-5 Eastbound and Westbound Olive Avenue/Verdugo Avenue Off Ramp TIME: 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. (Until 12 p.m. on Sunday July 29th) 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Southbound I-5 Eastbound and Westbound Olive Avenue/Verdugo Avenue On Ramp TIME: 9 p.m. to 6 a.m. (Until 11 p.m. on Sunday July 29th)
- Northbound I-5 Eastbound and Westbound Olive Avenue/Verdugo Avenue On Ramp TIME: 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. (Until 12 p.m. on Sunday July 29th)
- Northbound I-5 Eastbound and Westbound Alameda Avenue Off and On Ramp Time: 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. (Until 12 p.m. on Sunday July 29th) 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Southbound I-5 Eastbound and Westbound Alameda Avenue Off and On Ramp Time: 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. (Until 12 p.m. on Sunday July 29th)
   9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Southbound I-5 Eastbound and Westbound Burbank Boulevard On Ramp Time: 9 p.m. to 6 a.m. (Until 10 a.m. on Sunday July 29th)
- Northbound I-5 Westbound Colorado Boulevard On Ramp Time: 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. (Until 9 a.m. on Sunday July 29th)
- Northbound I-5 from Colorado Boulevard to SR-134
  TIME: Up to three lanes 10 p.m. to 6 a.m.(Until 10 a.m. on Sunday July 29th)
  Four lanes- 1 a.m. to 5 a.m.
- Northbound I-5 from SR-134 to Burbank Boulevard TIME: Up to two lanes – 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. Three lanes- 1 a.m. to 5 a.m.
- Southbound I-5 from Burbank Boulevard to SR-134
  TIME: Up to two lanes 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. (Until 9 a.m. on Sunday July 29th)
  Three lanes –2 a.m. to 5 a.m.



## **About the Project**

This project is building a high occupancy vehicle (HOV) lane in each direction along the Golden State Freeway (I-5) between the Ventura Freeway (SR-134) and Magnolia Boulevard in Burbank, a total distance of 5.4 miles (2.7 miles in each direction). It is also constructing sound walls and retaining walls.

The new HOV lanes will alleviate congestion, encourage carpooling, improve air quality, provide a smoother ride for motorists, and reduce traffic on city streets.

Funding for this \$57.8 million project is provided by Proposition C. The contractor is Security Paving of Sun Valley, California. Work began in March 2011 and is expected to be completed in late 2014.

Caltrans thanks motorists for their patience and understanding during construction.

